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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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The following Listing of Claims replaces all previous versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently amended) A process for the preparation of condensed resins in powder form, wherein the condensation of at least one crosslinkable starting material which is liquid or dissolved in a liquid phase with at least one aldehyde is carried out in a spray reactor by spraying the at least one crosslinkable starting material and the at least one aldehyde into one another.
- 2. (Original) The process according to claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out at from 20 to 150°C.
- 3. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the starting materials are introduced into the reactor by at least one nozzle having a diameter of from 1 µm to 10 mm.
- 4. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out in individual drops.
- 5. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.
- 6. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out at from 0.001 to 20 bar.

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7. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out at from 2 to 5 mbar.

- 8. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein condensates having a mean particle diameter of from 10 µm to 1 mm are prepared.
- 9. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein condensates having a mean particle diameter of from 50 μ m to 300 μ m are prepared.
- 10. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the starting materials, which may be present in a solvent, are mixed prior to spraying and are kept at from -40 to +30°C.
- 11. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the starting material used is melamine, urea, or a mixture thereof.
- 12. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the aldehyde used is formaldehyde.
- 13. (Previously presented) A condensate obtainable by the process according to claim 1.
- 14. (Previously presented) A condensate obtainable by the process according to claim 1, which has a moisture content of from 0.5 to 3%
- 15. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 2, wherein the starting materials are introduced into the reactor by at least one nozzle having a diameter of from 1 μ m to 10 mm.

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- 16. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 2, wherein the condensation is carried out in individual drops.
- 17. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 3, wherein the condensation is carried out in individual drops.
- 18. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 2, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.
- 19. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 3, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.
- 20. (Previously presented) The process according to claim 4, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.